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SUBJECT: EDITORIAL IN THE IRISH INDEPENDENT, JUNE 30, 1978

FOLLOWING EDITORIAL APPEARED IN THE IRISH INDEPENDENT,  
JUNE 30, 1978 UNDER THE HEADING NO MERCY.

THE HORRIFYING EXPLOSION IN THE MIDDLE OF A JERUSALEM  
OPEN-AIR MARKET CAN ONLY HAVE BEEN DESIGNED TO KILL  
CIVILIANS. THE MARKET IS A PLACE WHERE MANY ISRAELIS  
SHOP ON THE EVE OF THEIR SABBATH AND IT WAS OBVIOUSLY  
GOING TO BE CROWDED WHEN THE BOMB WENT OFF. IT THE  
PALESTINIANS ARE TRYING TO MAKE A CASE FOR THEMSELVES  
THIS IS ONE WAY TO RUIN IT, AND LOSE SOME OF THE  
SYMPATHY THEY MAY HAVE GAINED RECENTLY.  
PALESTINIANS, OR SOME OF THEM AT LEAST WILL HOPE THAT THE  
BOMB WILL MAKE THE POINT, ON THE EVE OF THE VISIT OF THE  
U.S. VICE-PRESIDENT TO ISRAEL, THAT THE PALESTINIAN  
QUESTION IS STILL UNSOLVED. THEY SEEM TO OVERLOOK THE  
OBVIOUS REACTION OF DISGUST THAT SUCH A MERCILESS ACT OF  
WAR ON CIVILIANS WILL CAUSE IN THE UNITED STATES AND  
ELSEWHERE.

WHAT THE DISTINGUISHED VISITOR WILL BE ABLE TO CONTRIBUTE  
TO THE SOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM IS NOT OBVIOUS, UNLESS  
IT CONCERNS THE CLARIFICATION OF ISRAEL'S FUTURE PLANS  
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FOR THE OCCUPIED AREAS. THESE HAVE BEEN A BONE OF  
CONTENTION NOT ONLY AMONG THE ISRAELIS THEMSELVES BUT  
BETWEEN ISRAEL AND THE U.S. AND, OF COURSE, BETWEEN  
ISRAEL AND EGYPT.

FURTHER AWAY THE SITUATION IN THE LEBANON IS TWISTING  
ITSELF INTO AN EVEN MORE COMPLICATED KNOT WITH RIGHT

WING LEBANESE CHRISTIANS APPARENTLY COMING INTO CONFLICT  
WITH THE U.N. FORCES, OUR OWN INCLUDED: WITH LEBANESE  
MOSLEMS MURDERING LEBANESE CHRISTIANS, AND WITH THE  
CHRISTIANS FIGHTING AMONG THEMSELVES.  
FAR FROM SETTLING ANYTHING THE VISIT IS LIKELY TO  
YIELD NO RESULTS AT ALL. IT IS GETTING PROGRESSIVELY  
MORE DIFFICULT TO DISTINGUISH THE BASIC CAUSES OF THE  
CONFLICT IN THE MIDDLE EAST, AND THAT MUCH MORE  
DIFFICULT TO SUGGEST SOLUTIONS. AND WHILE THAT  
SITUATION EXISTS, CIVILIANS WILL ALWAYS SUFFER. KRENE

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